कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मारपेट आल्वा): (क) प्रशासनिक सुधार और लोक शिकायत विभाग लोक शिकायतों के निपटान के लिए नीति का निर्धारण और उससे संबंधित विषयों का समन्वय करता है। विभाग ने मंत्रालयों, विभागों और भारत सरकार के अन्य मुख्य संगठनों में लोक शिकायतों पर कार्रवाई करने के लिए संगठनात्मक संरचना भी निर्धारित की है। लोक शिकायतों पर कार्रवाई करने के लिए समय-समय पर मार्गदर्शी सिद्धान्त जारी किए जाते हैं। विभाग द्वारा उसके कार्यान्वयन का समय-समय पर प्रबोधन किया जाता है। कुल मिलाकर इन संगठनों में यह प्रणाली कारगर रूप से चल रही है।

(ख) 1988-90 के कैलेण्डर वर्षों के दौरान, विभाग में लगभग 24,000 लोक शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई। उन्हें संबंधित मंत्रालयों/विभागों और संगठनों को भेज दिया गया जो उनसे संबंधित होने के कारण उन पर यथेष्ट रूप से कार्रवाई कर सकते हैं।

**Setting up of a Petrochemical complex at Paradeep (Orissa)**

1462. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's proposal to set up a Petro-Chemical Complex at Paradeep in Orissa has been pending for a long time;

(b) if so the reasons for the delay in implementing the above proposal;

(c) whether Government have now decided to set up such a complex; and

(d) if so, the steps taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation of Orissa Ltd. (IPICOL) have submitted a proposal to set up a naptha based cracker complex at Paradeep (Orissa) Proposals for cracker complexes are considered having regard to availability of feed stock and other techno-economic aspects.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

1463. [*Transferred to the 13th September*, 1991].

**Expansion of Petro-Chemical Complex at NAMRUP, Assam**

1464. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for expansion of the present Petrochemical Complex at Namrup, in Assam; and

(b) whether it is a fact that this project is a losing concern for few years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) M|s Assam Petrochemicals Ltd. Gauhati were granted an industrial licence in December, 1986 for substantial expansion in the manufacture of Methanol with annual capacity (after expansion) of 33,000 tonnes in their existing industrial undertaking in Tehsil Namrup, Distt. Dibrugarh in Assam.

(b) No such details are available with the Government of India.

**Production of Quinine**

1465. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the annual production of Quinine in the country;

(b) what quantity of this medicine is exported annually; and

(c) what was the average price of it fetched during 1989-90?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The production of

Quinine to the extent available with the Department during 1988-89 and 1989-90 was 7.91 tonnes and 9.74 tonnes respectively.

(b) and (c) The export of quinine during 1988-89 was to the extent of Rs. 24.111 lakhs. No exports were made during 1989-90.

**Lakhimpur and Dhemaji as zero Industry districts**

1466. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURAGOHAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to declare Lakhimpur and Dhemaji as zero Industry districts in Assam;

(b) whether there is any scheme under Government's consideration regarding setting of any major Industrial unit in these two backward districts;

(c) if so, the name of the proposed Industries; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN): (a) Lakhimpur has already been declared a No Industry District by the Central Government. At present, there is no proposal to include any more districts in the category of No Industry District.

(b) to (d) Industrialisation of districts is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments concerned. There is no proposal to set up any major public sector unit in the districts of Lakhimpur and Dhemaji.

**Kurseong Centre of AIR**

1467. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Kurseong Centre of the All India Radio has failed to serve its purpose due to very weak transmissions; and

(b) if so, what remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) and (b) The existing 20 KW SW transmitter at AIR, Kurseong is reported to be functioning satisfactorily. However, in order to strengthen the radio signal further, steps have been taken to upgrade the power of the transmitter to 50 KW.

**Central Agencies working for rural Development**

1468. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state what are the details of the Central Agencies presently working for rural development in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): Rural Development is Primarily the responsibility of the respective State Governments. Besides the State sector rural development programmes the State Governments have also been implementing various Centrally sponsered rural development programmes. The State Governments have also involved various Non-governmental organisations in the implementation of the various rural development programmes.

**Subsidies on food stuffs**

1469. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are provisions of special subsidies on food stuffs for the border States of North East, Kashmir and Sikkim; and

(b) if so, what are these food items and their respective subsidy rates on them?